Cell phone usage is out of control as it is, people using them in the car drift
over lanes, etc. Users are also very load when speaking normally on a cell
phone, add the noise of an airplane environment, and the cockpit should be able
to hear the conversation of the last row! Flight Attendants would be reduced to
policing the 'personal space' noise environment. Many passengers want to sleep
or just relax, they do not want to listen to someone's conversation. During any
safety demonstration, cell phones would interrupt or detract the attention of
customers from listening to Flight Attendant instructions - could you see this
scenario during an emergency evacation - Fred is on his cell phone about to
egress through one of the exits, stops at the door and says, 'Hey, Sally, I'm
about to jump out of an airplane!' Any pausing like this could prove deadly for
those behine Mr. Important on the phone. Please, keep our 'stressed enough,
closely seated' passengers in the quiet environment they have now - as little as
it is at this time now anyway, cell phones can only make a bad situation much
much worse.

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